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MEMORANDUM FOR CIVILIANS AND MILITARY OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Coordination and Cooperation with the Comptroller General

- References: (a) Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended
 - (b) DoD Directive 5106.1 of January 4, 2001, "Inspector General of the Department of Defense (IG, DoD)"
 - (c) DoD Directive 7600.2 of February 2, 1991, "Audit Policies"
 - (d) DoD Directive 7650.1 of September 11, 1997, "General Accounting Office (GAO) and Comptroller General Access to Records"
 - (e) DoD Directive 7650.2 of July 13, 2000, "General Accounting Office Reviews and Reports"

Purpose: To provide specific guidance on implementing section 4(c) of Reference (a).

Statutory Duty: Section 4(c) of Reference (a) directs the Inspector General to "give particular regard to the activities of the Comptroller General of the United States with a view toward avoiding duplication and insuring effective coordination and cooperation."

Policy Guidance: It is the policy of the Office of the Inspector General that the Deputy Inspector General for Auditing shall monitor and distribute information regarding General Accounting Office activities and engage in coordinated and cooperative efforts to avoid unnecessary overlap and duplication with the General Accounting Office. The Deputy Inspector General for Auditing shall be the principal point of contact between the Office of Inspector General (OIG) and the Comptroller General and shall serve as the OIG central liaison with the Comptroller General on all matters concerning Comptroller General surveys, reviews, reports, and activities.

Effective Date: This Policy Memorandum is effective immediately.

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